I.C.P.O. Bulletin

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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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17/12/2009: Peter, DC0KK is currently active from Sri Lanka (IOTA AS-003, WLOTA LH-0762) as 4S7KKG until 7 January, 2010. QRV on all HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes (RTTY, PSK and WSJT). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [dx-hamspirit.com]

17/12/2009: Edor, CO7PH will be active from Cayo Coco Island (IOTA NA-086) 17-31 December 2009 and Cayo Anclitas Island (NA-201) 2-5 January 2010 as CO7PH/P. QRV around the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL direct (QRZ.com). [dx-hamspirit.com]

17/12/2009: Tom, N1CE, will be active as N1CE/KH6 from Oahu Island (USi HI-008S, WLOTA LH-1227, Honolulu County), Hawaii (OC-019), between 17 December 2009 and 6 January 2010. He states that his activity will be mobile using a Kenwood TS-480 w/100 watts, and it will be SSB only on this trip. Tom will use a bunch of Ham Sticks, G5RV and some end fed 1/2w dipoles (possibly a 160m dipole). QSL only direct to his home callsign. [OPDX Bulletin]

17/12/2009: Jim, G6PAA (RAFARS #1713) is currently active from Western Australia (IOTA OC-001, WLOTA LH-1520) as VK6/G6PAA until 13 January, 2010. QRV using RTTY/CW/PSK/Phone on 10 to 80m with 100w to a dipole. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

17/12/2009: John, KL7JR will be QRV as VY1RST from Destruction Bay, Yukon, from 17-22 December. Activity will be on 80 to 10 metres using SSB. He may also try to activate Jacquot Island on Kluane Lake. QSL to home call, direct only. [ARRL DX News]

18/12/2009: Look for John, VE8EV to be active from Castries, island of St. Lucia (IOTA NA-108, WLOTA LH-1336) from 18-20 December as J68/VE8EV or J68EV. Operation will be mostly during the RAC Canada Winter Contest which this year is being held the weekend before Christmas. All contacts are welcome during the contest, stations outside of Canada just sent RS(T) and a serial number. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. Web page at: ve8ev.blogspot.com/search/label/IOTA [rsgbiota.org]
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LOOKING AHEAD -

12/01/2010: Eddy, ON4AFU will be active from Thailand as HS0ZJF between 12 January and 8 March. QRV on all HF bands, CW only. Eddy will also be active from IOTA AS-101 (Malay Peninsula East group) during this time-frame signing HS0ZJF/8. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [dx-hamspirit.com]

16/01/2010: Look for Jim, G6PAA (RAFARS #1713) to be active from New Zealand as ZL/G6PAA from 16 January to 1 March. He will probably visit both the North Island (OC-036, WLOTA LH-0069) and South Island (OC-134, WLOTA LH-0342). QRV on 80-10m, using RTTY/CW/PSK/Phone with 100w to a dipole. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

21/01/2010: Michael, G7VJR and Martin, G3ZAY will be operational on the low bands from Darwin, East Falkland Island (IOTA SA-002, WLOTA LH-1479) as VP8DMN between 21-29 January. QSL via G7VJR, direct or bureau. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. An online log search will be available at: www.clublog.org/expeditions/VP8DMN [dx-hamspirit.com]

29/01/2010: Voravut, HS8JYX will be active from Paknum Muang Krabi, Thailand, during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (29-31 January) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. He will use an inverted L antenna and transmit power limit at about 50 watts. QSL via LoTW or eQSL. [NG3K]

29/01/2010: Timo OH6GLE, Juha OH6XX and Kari OH5TS will be active from Aland Island (IOTA EU-002, WLOTA LH-1373) as OH0Z during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (29-31 January) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via W0MM, direct preferred but bureau ok. [NG3K]

30/01/2010: Andy, N8OFS (SMIRK #6737) will be participating in the SPAR Winter Field Day (30-31 January) with a Catagory of 1H (1 Operator Home Site) from Medina, Ohio (Grid EN91AE). He will be FM only, using 52.525 MHz Simplex and the Local 6 metre repeaters (/Repeaters ARE ALLOWED for this Contest). Andy will be using the /P setup he used last summer (www.noars.net/got6/N8OFS_P2.JPG); operating out of the pickup truck (engine running), Kenwood TS-60 at 90W (less power when using the /Repeaters) to the 'Dominator' 5/8 wave vertical. Here's a list of the /Repeaters Andy will be using - 51.66OUT/51.16IN/OPEN; 53.19OUT/52.19IN/107.2PL; 53.17OUT/52.17IN/107.2,110.9,136.5PLs; 53.27OUT/52.27IN/107.2PL;...otherwise, he will see ya on Simplex. QSL direct only, or via eQSL. Further information can be found at: mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2972 [N8OFS]

02/02/2010: Look for Eddy, ON4AFU to be active from Sihanoukville, Cambodia, as XU7AFU from 2-15 February. QRV on all HF bands, CW only. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [NG3K]

03/04/2010: Special event station GB2RAF will be active for the Airfields/RAF Stations on the Air event on 3rd April from RAF Neatishead, Norfolk, England (EU-005, WLOTA LH-1841), between 1000-1600 UTC. QSL via QRZ.com. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

27/05/2010: Eric, K9GY will once again be active as YN2GY from Granada (WW Loc. EK71AU), Nicaragua, from 27-31 May. QRV all HF bands, plus 6 metres (100W, 3 ele quad, 50.115USB). His main focus will be the CQWW WPX CW Contest (29-30 May) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW or direct to home call. [NG3K]

28/06/2010: The Midwest 6 Meter DX Group will be activate on 6 Meters as J8/W9DR (Dave) and J8/W8IF (Mike) from Bequia Island (IOTA-NA-025, WW Loc. FK93JA), Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, from 28 June to 5 July. QSL direct to KB3RHR (SASE, SAE + sufficient postage). Further information at: www.6meterdxgroup.com/DXpedition_2010.html [N8OFS]

30/10/2010: Luigi, IK8HCG plans to be active from Lampedusa Island (IOTA AF-019, IIA AG-001, MIA MI-126, WLOTA LH-2312) as IG9R during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (30-31 October) as a Single-Op/? entry. QSL IG9R via IK8HCG. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

GB2RAF AIR DEFENCE RADAR MUSEUM RAF NEATISHEAD RAFARS PERMANENT S.E.S. GB2RAF should be QRV, during the New Year 2010, every 2nd Saturday of

the Month 1000-1500hrs local on RAFARS frequencies SSB or CW on 80m, or 40m if conditions are poor. Equipment used Kenwood TS570D 100w output to an inverted V trap dipole. QSL via the information on QRZ.com. The Museums Web site is www.radarmuseum.co.uk/
NOTE: Old Station Log Book April 2001 to August 2009 is held at G8FC DCAE Cosford. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

18/12/2009: Every year on 18th of December Qatar celebrates its National Day. In this event the A7 group will active a special callsgin A71QND to celebrate the national day. QRV this year from 15-19 December on almost all bands and modes. QSL card is only via A71CO (Special event station Qatar National Day, Doha, P.O. Box 13660, Qatar). [dx-hamspirit.com]

19/12/2009: Special event station 8J6ISM will be aired from 19.December.2009 to 31.January.2010 to celebrate the Birth of Itoshima-city (JCC#4036), Fukuoka Prefecture, Kyushu Shima [Shima means Island in Japanese language] (IOTA AS-077, JIIA AS-077-001, WLOTA LH-0963). A planned merger of municipalities will be implemented on 01.January.2010; the City of Maebaru and the towns of Nijo and Shima will merge into the new City of Itoshima. Itoshima District will cease to exist. QSL via the JARL bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

20/12/2009: Look for special event station 8J6HAM to be active from 20.December.2009 to 08.March.2010 for the 9th Nishinihon (or West Japan) Ham Fair, to be held in Tosu-city, Saga-prefecture, Kyushu (AS-077, JIIA AS-077-001, WLOTA LH-0963), Japan. HF contacts QSL via the JARL bureau; Satellite contacts QSL via JA6PL, direct or bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

U.S.A. Special event station information can be found at:
www.arrl.org/contests/spev.html
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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

17/12-1/6/10 N1CE/KH6: Oahu Island WLOTA LH-1227 QSL HC (d)
18/12-20/12 J68/VE8EV: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA LH-1336 QSL HC (d/b)
19/12-31/1/10 8J6ISM: Kyushu Shima WLOTA LH-0963 QSL JARL Buro
20/12-8/3/10 8J6HAM: Kyushu Shima WLOTA LH-0963 QSL JARL Buro
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SIX METERS & UP -

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 17 December 2009)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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US COUNTY HUNTING - USA-CA

WD4OIN - Jack - 1* - December 18 to December 20 - SSB and CW
Dec.18 NC: New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Bladen, Cumberland, Hoke, Moore, Lee, Chatham, Randolph. Dec 19 NC: Davidson, Stanley, Rowan, Cabarrus, Lincoln, Iredell, Yadkin, Wilkes, Watuga, Ashe. Dec 20 TN: Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, Washington, Greene, Cocke, Sevier. Will Have 20, 30, 40, 17, & 3901 CW on request. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

KB6UF - Ronald Jones - 3* - Sat-12/19/2009 to Sat 12/19/2009 - SSB and CW
approx 1300z LA: St. John the Baptist, St. James, Ascenion, La Fourche, Terrabonne, Assumption, St. Mary, Iberia, Vermillion, Cameron, Jeff Davis, Calicseu, Allen,Evangline, St. Landry, Avoylles, Point Coopee, West Feliciana. MS: Wilkenson. LA: East/West Feliciana, St. Helena. Will try and run 20 ph, 40 ph, 20 cw, 40 cw, 30 cw, 80 cw, if 80 is not doing to good, will switch resonators and try 17. Will run in the posted order, if one is busy when I go there, will drop down a couple and put out a QRZ and then move on to the next one in order. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

N5XG - Don - 1* - 20 Dec 2009 to 20 Dec 2009 - CW Only
Start approximately 1430z, CW, 40-30-20m
TX: Montgomery, San Jacinto, Liberty, Hardin, Polk, Trinity, Houston, Anderson. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

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QSL INFORMATION -

Some info for 5N/LZ1QK and his activity from Nigeria !!
LZ1QK is active from Nigeria as 5N/LZ1QK since October 2008 !!
Now he get four / 4 / new licenses and they are:
5N3LQK, 5N3WQK, 5N4LQK and 5N4WQK
QSL mgr is LZ1CL - Vassil Shatarov, P.O Box 185, Plovdiv 400, BULGARIA
QSLs printed by LZ1JZ QSL PRINT
http://www.LZ1JZ.com/
73! Good DX!! Tony/LZ1JZ

If you need UA9UAX/1 and (or) UA9UAX/1/m QSLs - you can send me e-mail request for bureau cards, It will be enough.
Addresses : ua9uax(at)kuzbass.net or ua9uax(at)qrz.ru
73, Oleg UA9UAX

Please spread the word that WA8JOC is not and never has been QSL manager for BV7FF
This is the 3rd instance of inquiries in the last month.
Thanks/73
Ken WA8JOC

QSLs received Bureau - V51AS.

QSLs received Direct - 3D2GM (PG5M), 3D2MJ (SP5EAQ), 5N0OCH (DL3OCH), 8R1PY (PY2WAS), 9M6DXX/P (M0URX), 9M6XRO/P (M0URX), BD4QH (QRZ.com), EE9K (QRZ.com), FO/G3BJ (hc), FT5GA (F5OGL), HL3ERJ (QRZ.com), IM0A [EU-165] (IS0BMU), J79ZG (QRZ.com), KH7XS (QRZ.com), KV4FZ (QRZ.com), LX/PA6Z (PA9M), PZ5M (AJ9C), T2G (PG5M), T30GM (PG5M), TX5SPA (SP9PT), TX5SPM (SP9PT), TY1MS (QRZ.com), UA9UZZ (QRZ.com), UU4JDD/P [EU-180 Tuzla Island] (hc), V47NT (W2RQ), VP2V/DL7VOG (hc), VP2V/KG9N (hc), VP9KF (QRZ.com), XE2YBG (QRZ.com), XV2RZ (QRZ.com), XV4D (DL7UFR), ZB2EO (QRZ.com), ZK2BJ (G3BJ) and ZXC4VJ (M0URX).

QSLs received LoTW - 3D20CR, AU8JCB, FT5GA and TX9A.

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BITS & PIECES -

New logs are available on http://algarvedx.com/logonline
CT1CQK/p - Roxo Large Dam (20 Novembro)
CR5CQK - Igreja da Fuzeta LH POR-074 e Fa-44
CR5CQK - Dunas de S.Jacinto Natural Park DPRN FF-16 WFF CTFF-16

Informations about our awards http://algarvedx.com/
73's Algarve STAR DX Team

7th International DX Convention 2010
April 17th & 18th - Paestum (SA) Italy
Strange Radio Team Organization
Complete info at: www.strangeradioteam.com/

ANTARCTICA -
Andrej Zubenko, UT6UE and Yurij Bondar, UT6UF are on board of S/Y Kupava heading Antarctica.
Onboard equipments include VX1700, RTX Yaesu HF, Tuner FC-40, and a folded dipole for 80, 40 and 20 mts. They hope to be QRV on 3645-3.720, 7.090-7.130-7.185, 14.140-14.260-14.345, from 22:00 to 01:00 UTC. They have already be reported on Packet Cluster signing UT6UE/MM. Info and pics at: uarl.com.ua/news/antarctida/
TNX IT9MRM Alberto Mattei (Italian Navy)
More infos on WAP website www.waponline.it/ [I1HYW]

VP8DML, W2APC/KC4 & W2APF/C6A/MM
>From February 8, 2010 until March 5, 2010 Thaire W2APF will be operating under the following call signs:
W2APF/C6A/MM - While on board the ship National Geographic Explorer.
W2APF/KC4 - While in Antarctic territories.
VP8DML - While in the territory of the Falkland Islands including South Shetlands, South Orkney?s and South Georgia.
QSL all via W2APF. [dx-hamspirit.com]

ARLS008 First Chinese Amateur Radio Satellite Now in Space:

AMSAT China (CAMSAT) reports that at around 0230 UTC on December 15, China launched its first Amateur Radio satellite -- named XW-1 -- into space.

The microsatellite -- a secondary payload aboard the CZ-4C rocket launched from the Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center -- was launched into a Sun-synchronous orbit with an apogee of approximately 1200 kilometers. XW-1 successfully reached orbit at 0253 UTC. Members of the XW-1 launch team reported they received a beacon from the satellite shortly after the satellite deployed. In the first few days, the XW-1 team will work on the satellite's FM and store-forward transponder mode and its linear transponder mode. Once those tests are complete, they will upload a new flight program to set up the payload schedule.

The satellite's communications payload includes a beacon and three crossband transponders operating in FM, SSB/CW and digital modes.

Uplink and downlink frequencies can be found on the CAMSAT Web site, http://www.camsat.cn/index.php, or the AMSAT web site at, http://www.amsat.org/amsat-new/satellites/status.php.

INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION/SHUTTLES -
4 Feb 2010 Endeavour STS130 to ISS with two gyroscopes and tank assemblies.
18 Mar Discovery STS131 to ISS with multi purpose science racks.
14 May Atlantis STS132 to ISS with Mini Research Module for Zarya.
29 Jul Endeavour STS133 to ISS with ELC4 MLPM spares.

16 Sep Discovery STS134 to ISS with Alpha Magnetic spectrometer.
All Shuttle Flights are subject to delays.
To see it all happening with all the latest news, go to
www.rafars.org/ to Link NASA TV NEWS or just type www.nasa.gov/
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of ICPO: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/
DX Calendar - Contest Calendar - Lighthouse Activity & much more
Join ICPO e-Group: http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/icpo
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